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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed on November 24, 2004, and as part of the submission requirement for filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 in connection with the above-captioned application. According to the Advisory Action, the Amendment and Response to Final Office Action (request for consideration) filed on October 19, 2004, has been entered into the record. A shortened statutory period for reply was set to expire three months from the mailing date of the final Office Action. No previous extension fee has been necessary or paid. A request for a three-month extension of time, up to and including January 20, 2005, along with the requisite fee, is filed herewith. This paper is thus timely filed.

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Please enter the following amendment, to be read in connection with the earlier-filed Amendment and Response to Final Office Action (request for consideration).

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